

# Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC)



## FASTC Project Overview

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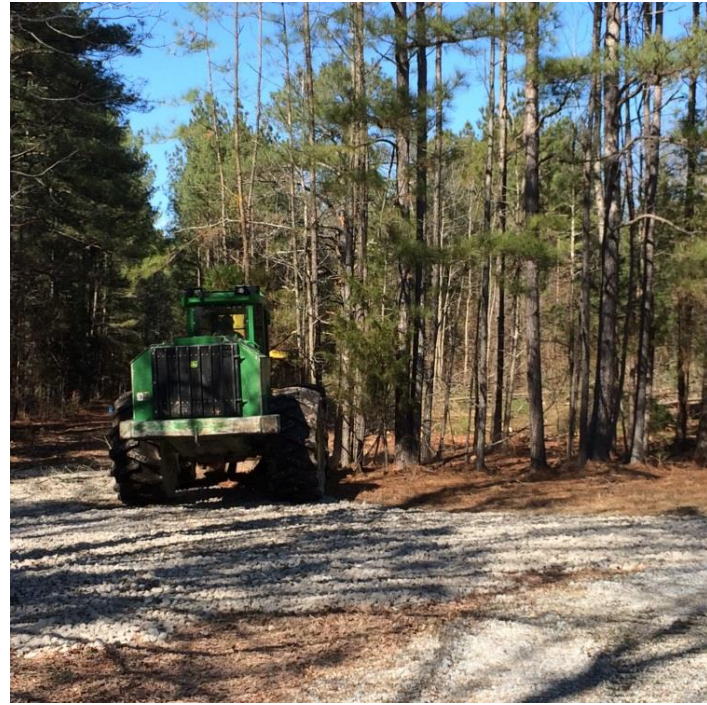
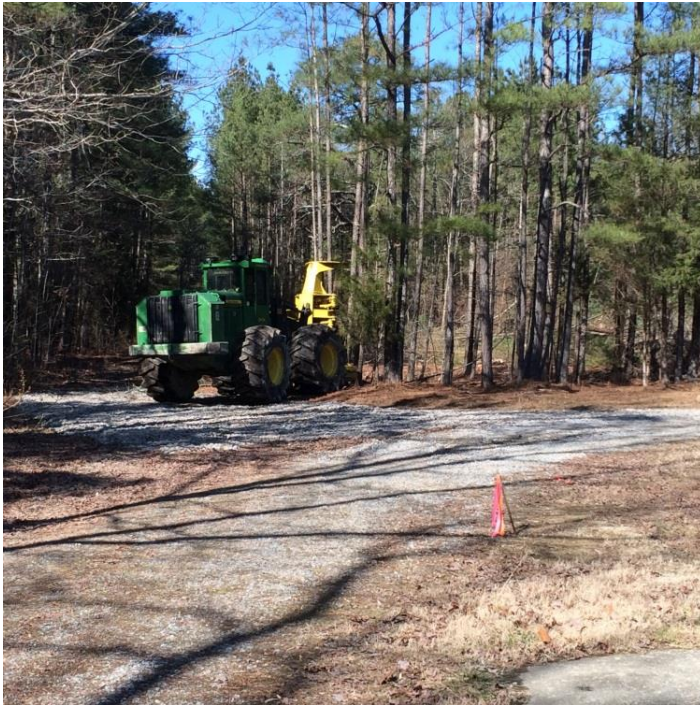
## Community Meeting

Officers Club at Ft. Pickett  
Blackstone, VA  
April 25, 2016



# FASTC is Official!

- FASTC is Being Built in Fort Pickett, VA
- Construction Commenced – Tree Clearing



# Tree Clearing Progress



# FASTC Project Purpose

- The U.S. Department of State (DOS) is consolidating their hard skill security training facilities currently located in 11 contracted facilities nationwide.
- The Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC) will be used to train law enforcement, security, and foreign affairs employees headed into high-threat areas of the world by exposing them to real-world training scenarios employing gunfire and explosions in a safe, controlled environment.



# FASTC Purpose – continued

- Hard skills training is practical, hands-on training in firearms, explosives, antiterrorism driving techniques, defensive tactics, and security operations.
- The consolidated center will provide training for a diverse student population of 10,000 students per year.
  - DS special agents
  - Foreign Service personnel
  - Employees of other U.S. government agencies assigned to U.S. Embassies
  - Select Foreign Nationals
- Average onboard student load: 450 - 1500

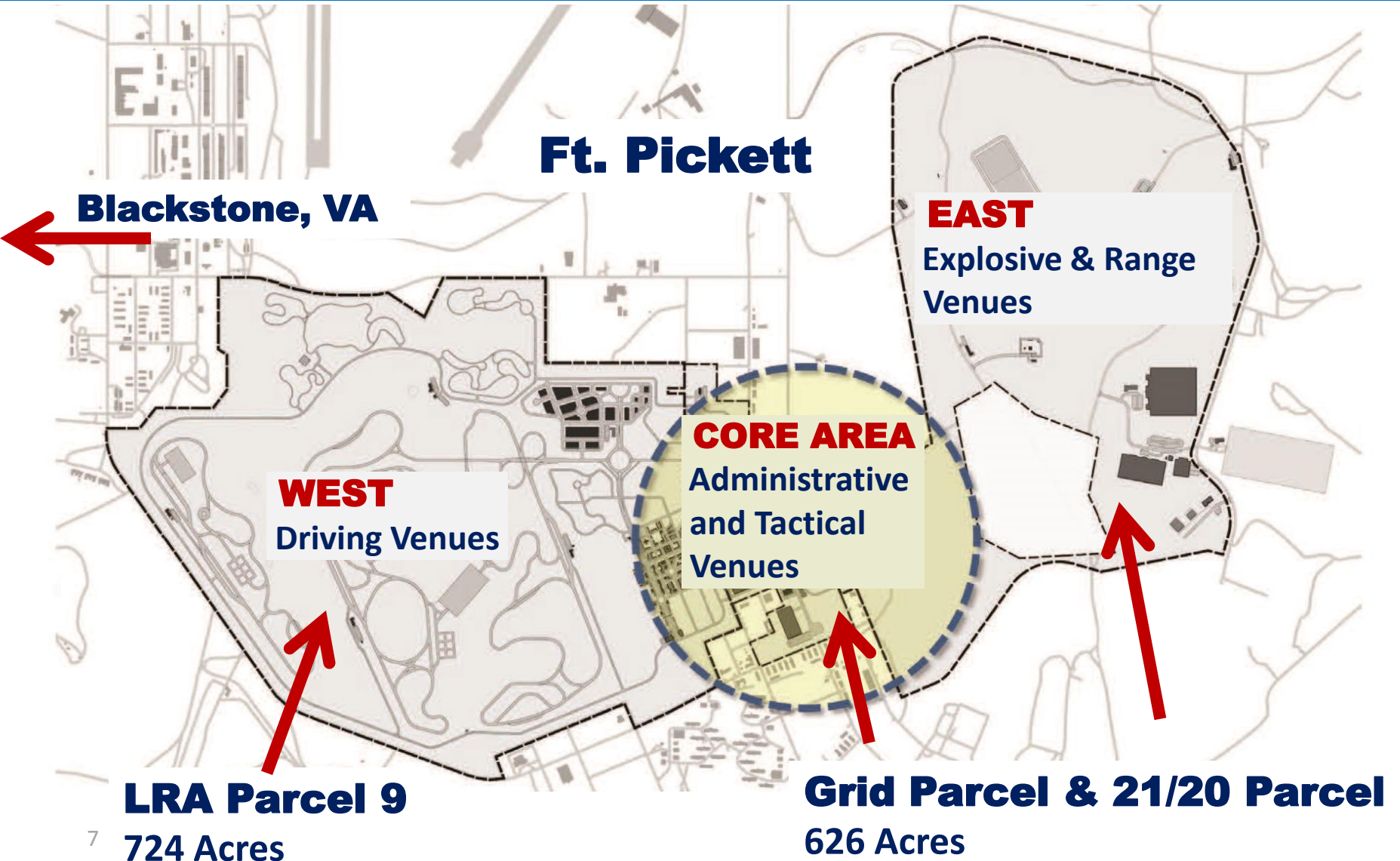


# Training for a Dynamic Environment

- Expansive, dynamic environment...world events drive the mission
- Sudden incremental training expansion is the norm
  - Benghazi ARB and Best Practices Panel Recommendations
  - Foreign Affairs Counter Threat (FACT) training expanded
  - High threat training, use of fire as a weapon, compound defense, etc.
- To support future requirements, training must be nimble, agile and scalable.



# FASTC Location & Master Plan



# FASTC Program & Activities

## ■ **Hard Skills Training**

- Driving Tracks
- Indoor/Outdoor Firing & Explosive Ranges
- Mock Urban Environments
- Weapons & Explosives

## ■ **Support**

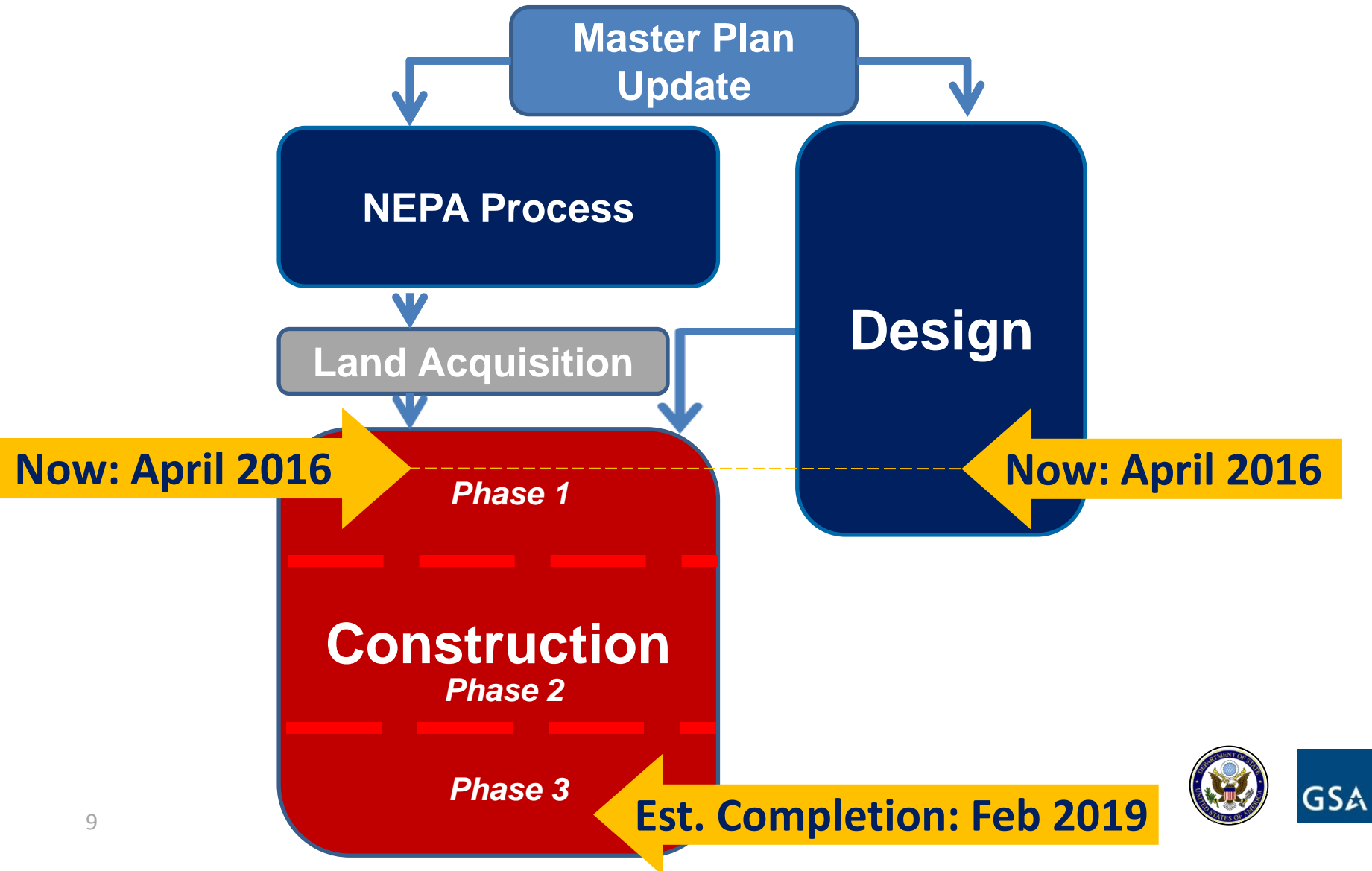
- Classrooms
- Administrative Offices
- Fitness Center

## ■ **Infrastructure**

- Power, Water Waste
- Buildings and Grounds
- Telecommunications
- Logistics Support



# FASTC Timeline



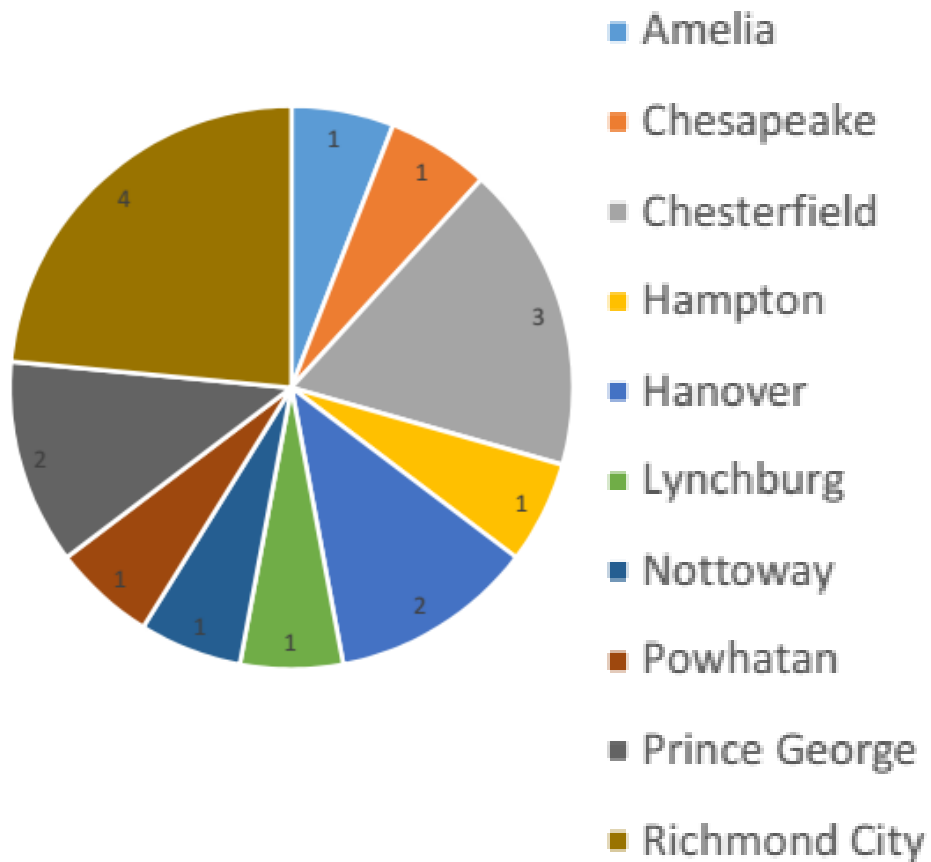
# FASTC: 3 Construction Phases

- **Phase 1 (Design Package 1)**
  - Construction Contractor: Hensel Phelps
  - 2015 – February 2017
  - Pre-Fabricated Tactical Venues: Rappel Tower, Smoke House, Tactical Maze, Mock Urban Tactical Training Area, Explosives Range and Live Fire Shoot House

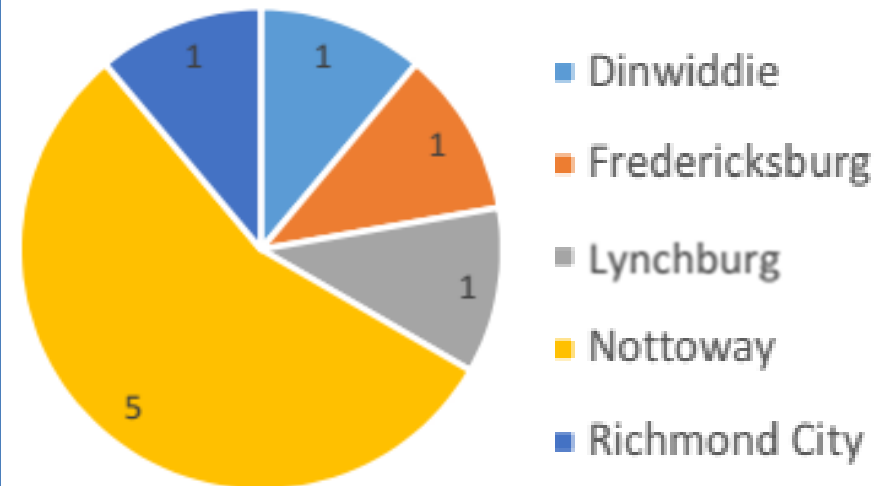


# FASTC: Phase 1 Contract – continued

## Current Local Sub-Contractors



## Current Local Vendors



# FASTC: 3 Construction Phases – continued

- **Phase 2 (Design Packages 2 and 3)**
  - Construction Contractor: TBD
  - 2016 – August 2018
  - High Priority Tactical Venues: Mock Embassy, Tactical Training Building, Administrative & Classroom Building, High Speed Anti-Terrorism Driving Courses, Unimproved Road Course, Vehicle Maintenance Shop, Post-Blast Training Range, Central Ammunition and Explosive Storage and Containerized Shooting Range



# FASTC: 3 Construction Phases – continued

- **Phase 3 (Design Packages 4 and 5)**
    - Construction Contractor: TBD
    - **2017 – February 2019**
    - Anti-Terrorism Driving Tracks, Indoor/Outdoor Firing and Tactical Range, Explosive Simulation Breaching Range and Alley, Mock Urban Driving Track, Off-Road Driving Course, Various Classrooms, Fitness Center, Armory, Parking Area, Central Warehouse and Public Works Building.
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- **Estimated Completion of Building FASTC Is February 2019**



# FASTC Limited & Full Time Operations

- FASTC will begin Limited Operations at the completion of Construction Phase 1
- FASTC will begin Full-Time Operations at the completion of Construction Phase 3



# Room Contracting Plan for FASTC

- Estimated Annual Student Visitors = 10,000
- Estimated Daily Demand: 350 Hotel/Motel Rooms
- DOS currently uses Service Contracts with Multiple Providers.
- DOS will Procure Rooms on an As-Needed Basis during Limited Operations.
- Room Contracting Plan for FASTC Full Operations will be Determined in the Future.



# Construction Opportunities Information

- Opportunities for Local Contractors: Federal Business Opportunities ([www.fbo.gov](http://www.fbo.gov))
- Future Small Business Fairs / Networking Prospects
- Small business subcontracting goals
- Link to FASTC website for more details on contracting and employment opportunities:  
<http://www.state.gov/recovery/fastc/c63524.htm>



# Opportunities – Permanent Categories

FASTC will have three primary groups of employees:

- **Foreign Service** (special agents and engineers)
  - Staffed exclusively from within U.S. Department of State
  - Not available as direct hire
- **Civil Service**
  - Federal hiring practices as established by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM)
- **Contractors**
  - U.S. Government contracts with a company to provide personnel or a service
  - The company, as opposed to the government, is the actual employer



# Opportunities – Types of Opportunities

- Program Officer
- Budget Specialist
- Administrative Specialist
- IT Specialist
- Visual Information Specialist
- Procurement & Logistics
- Subject Matter Expert Instructors
- Training Delivery Officer
- General Facility Support
- Groundskeepers
- Housekeeping
- Food Service/Catering
- Automotive Mechanics
- Instructional Systems Designer
- Maintenance
- Travel Coordinator
- Security Personnel



# FASTC Contact Information & Website

Please contact us with any questions or comments about the FASTC project:

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For more information about FASTC:

- **FASTC Website:** [www.state.gov/recovery/fastc/](http://www.state.gov/recovery/fastc/)



# Questions & Answers

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